

BRITISH BAYONET THE WAY TO LILLE

French Drive Teutons Along Front of Many Miles: 32,000 Prisoners

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, September 27.—Attacking all along the western front, from Arras to the Argonne, the British and French yesterday began a concerted offensive. In many places the Germans have been driven from their trenches, losing heavily in men and material, their lines being penetrated and bent so seriously in a number of sections that a retirement on both the right and left wings is probable.

For four days previous to Friday the artillery of the French and British pounded the German lines, smashing down the barbed wire entanglements, scattering the trench ramparts, silencing batteries and generally paving the way for the great infantry advance that had been planned.

SLAUGHTER IS TERRIBLE

Early Saturday morning the various advances began and regiments were driven against the shattered German positions in a number of selected places. In every section where the attacks were made in earnest, these drives carried home. The slaughter was terrible, much the heavier losses being on the side of the Germans, who kept falling back before the onslaughts of the Allies, flushed with victory and leaping to the charge with fury that could not be withheld.

FRENCH GAINS GREATEST

While the British have driven their advance almost to the gates of Lille and threaten to envelop a section of the German lines, the greatest gains have been made by the French, who advanced in one section of the Champagne district for two and a half miles along a fifteen-mile front, taking twelve thousand unwounded prisoners and large quantities of guns and supplies. This advance is continuing, the Germans effecting a hurried retreat with their heavy artillery.

Further to the east, up to the Argonne, the French have gained in many places, so effectively that any further advances will make the positions of the Crown Prince before Verdun untenable and a general retirement upon Metz will be necessary.

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On the western front, between Arras and the LaBassee canal, the British and French have captured twenty thousand prisoners and many guns, while the German killed and wounded are estimated to run far in excess of a hundred thousand.

The fighting was hand to hand, with bayonet and hand grenade and machine gun at close quarters until the Germans broke from their advance trenches in precipitous retreat.

Some of the fiercest fighting was before Souchez, northwest of Arras, where the French and Germans have been engaged in bloody fighting for the past several months and where the death roll has been the longest of any one section of the war zone. The French stormed Souchez yesterday, taking it at the point of the bayonet.

TO THE GATES OF LILLE

The British onslaught was launched from before Neuve Chapelle and south to the junction with the French line. The main advance was made south of the LaBassee Canal, where a section five miles long and in places four thousand yards deep was captured, the British bayoneters taking one trench after another until they reached the village of Loos, just south of Lille. This village was occupied and the positions consolidated.

The mines surrounding Loos are in British hands, while Hill Seventy and the outskirts of the village of Hulluch also fell to the British.

These gains are all to the east of the town of Vermelles.

LENS GARRISON IN DANGER

The greatest significance of the British victory is that it gives them control of the Lens-LaBassee road, which had been in use by the Germans for the disposition of their forces and supplies either north or south to threatened points. With this road wrested from them, the strengthening of their western front through detachment of troops can only be effected by detours to the east.

The Germans still hold the City of Lens, but that hold is now precarious, the German garrison there being threatened with being cut off and surrounded, with the French advanced to the south and the British to the north.

MONITORS SHELL GERMANS

Simultaneously with the land operations yesterday, the British monitors maintained a vigorous bombardment of the German coast positions in Belgium, while the French and Belgian artillery shelled the Germans at all points along the Flanders front. The bombardment covered every German position along the coast from Nieuport to Zeebrugge.

Berlin Admits Serious Reverses

BERLIN, September 27.—Officials here admit that the Germans have lost ground and material along the west front. The division at Loos, says the report given out, has suffered heavy casualties and much material.

Along the advanced position north of Perthes, between Rheims and the Argonne forest, the Germans have had to give ground and the front trenches have been evacuated.

REPORTS FROM THE EASTERN WAR ZONES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, September 27.—Despatches from Petrograd announce a continuance of the Russian offensive on their left wing, with continuous retreat of the Austro-Germans.

On the north the fighting continues to be heavy, with von Hindenburg hammering at the Russian defense of Divinsk. The Russians are holding firm, states Petrograd.

Rome announces a series of minor successes in the Trentino and along the Carnic Alps front, while Austrian counter attacks in the Upper Isarco region were repulsed.

An important statement was made yesterday in the Bulgarian premier, in the name of the Bulgarian government. He states that the Bulgarian mobilization is purely for the purpose of protecting the interests of the nation and is not intended to be offensive in its character to any Power.

PRACTICAL DOKER SENT S. O. S. CALLS

With Harvard Safe, This is the Only Explanation of Signals To Be Made

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The wireless stations here yesterday continued to sweep the sea in hope of getting a response from a vessel in distress, as a result of the S. O. S. calls received Saturday.

Following attempts all Saturday night to learn the source of the S. O. S. calls, and renewed efforts yesterday, wireless officials have come to the conclusion that the calls were sent out by a vessel named the *Harvard*.

Which was thought to be in peril following receipt of the "ship" signals, arrived in San Pedro yesterday and reported an uneventful voyage.

Wireless operators of the *Harvard* had received none of the S. O. S. calls, they said, and for this reason wireless officials were inclined to believe the calls may have been sent from some amateur station on land nearby.

When Rear Admiral Caperton filed his report to the navy department at Washington last night, he stated that forty of the *Harvard* had been killed, while the American casualties amounted to ten men wounded.

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(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) DENVER, Colorado, September 27.—John D. Rockefeller Jr., who has been inspecting the properties of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, of which the Rockefeller interests hold the control, completed his first week's inspection at Pueblo on Saturday and will return to Denver today.

While here he plans to hold a series of conferences with the officials of the company, to secure a first-hand explanation of the causes leading up to the recent serious labor troubles in the light of the knowledge he has gained on the ground.

A statement from a special committee of the miners' organization, made public Saturday, contains an invitation to Mr. Rockefeller to meet representatives of the United Mine Workers and establish contract relations for the workers in Colorado.

It is expected that as a result of the conferences with the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company officials, to begin today, Mr. Rockefeller will formulate a labor policy, to be based on the results of his inspection trip.

Yesterday Mr. Rockefeller spent the day at the home of President Wilson, in one of the suburbs of this city. He refused to see any interviewers.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) AMSTERDAM, September 27.—A reply has been made by the Austro-Hungarian government to the United States in the matter of the Washington 'denial' of the right of Austria to protest against the American export of munitions to Great Britain and France, according to a report which reaches here from Vienna.

The Austrian foreign office, it is understood, practically repeats the protest made in the original note to Washington on June 29, stating that the Austro-Hungarian government cannot concede the justice of the American arguments.

Baron de Buriar writes that Austria never intended to imply in its protest that Washington should forbid the normal traffic of its manufacturers in war supplies for the enemy belligerents, but protested against the economic theory that life should be made subservient to the production of military supplies on the greatest possible scale.

The reply states that the United States is becoming militarized and is reaching that point where profit from munitions weighs greater than the lives of people of two friendly nations.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) SEATTLE, September 27.—A formal reply and explanation to the complaint filed by the Seattle Chamber of Commerce with the management of the Great Northern Railway, stating that the Great Northern shipping line is being discontinued against the line and are not able to secure space for their consignments on the Japanese line, has been received from General Manager Kufuku.

Mr. Kufuku writes that his line is "standing up to full capacity in respect to freight shipments and it is being found impossible to handle the surplus offerings." The lines of the Great Northern Railway have more freight of foreign than can be accommodated and it is being found impossible for the company to secure additional tonnage on charters. The company, however, is adding another 10,000-ton steamer to its fleet, which will help relieve the situation.

Mr. Kufuku claims that much of the freight now handled has been contracted for, under agreements that extend back for years, a majority of the steamship space being taken up by overseas freight, which has the first call upon space.

Two letters were recently received by the Bank of Hawaii and Bishop & Co., acknowledging receipt of approximately \$5100 sent from the Chinese Christian Union during the summer for the relief of sufferers in the flooded districts of China.

The letter to the Bank of Hawaii was sent from China by Yee Wah Sun, of Canton, who has been prominent in the work of aiding his distressed countrymen.

Bishop & Co.'s letter was from C. A. Nelson who, with his family saw much of the floods in China and rendered much assistance in the good cause.

A letter has been received from Mr. Nelson by C. K. Al, manager of the City Mill company, Nelson and Al having long been close friends and the former having spent considerable time in Honolulu when going to and from the Orient. Mr. Nelson is a prominent missionary in Canton.

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Eleven Marines Are Wounded—Rebels Lose Forty

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) CAPE HAITIEN, Haiti, September 27.—

A serious clash yesterday between an outpost of American marines and a band of Haitian rebels, two miles out from this city, led to a battle, which is still continuing.

The Americans were marching to Haiti du Cap, where rebel activities are reported, when the rebel band was encountered. The Americans halted the rebels and called upon them to surrender and to deliver up their arms.

This the rebel commander refused to do, threatening to attack the Americans if the demand was repeated or if the Americans offered any further resistance to his men.

The marines were largely outnumbered, but the challenge of the Haitians was accepted and the marine command ordered his men to seize and disarm the rebel leader. This was the signal for shooting and the battle was on.

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The reunion program is an important one, reaching its climax on Wednesday, when thirty thousand veterans will parade and march past in review before President Wilson. The march of the veterans under General Grant, from the Capitol to the White House, before the victorious troops were disbanded, will be repeated in commemoration, while the review will be similar in its nature to the grand review at the termination of the war between the States.

Following the reunion, the G. A. R. will unite with the National Defense League and the Navy League in the holding of a general national defense convention, which will be held by President Wilson and former President Taft and Roosevelt.

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The victims made frantic pleas for mercy as the flames licked up the dry hay, and the hot-soaked hay, but all they received were taunts and derision from the Yaquis, according to the despatch which announced the tragedy.

How Some May Have Escaped. Some of the twenty who escaped death are presumed to have broken their way out of the car as it burned to pieces. The large number of victims among the women and children is accounted for on the theory that many were too weak to resist the ordeal and faint and were crushed by their fellow passengers, or were suffocated by smoke.

The Yaquis are declared to have inflicted numerous cruelties upon the passengers before they locked them in the hay car.

Torrey is half way between Hermosillo and Guaymas and is a junction point.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LAREDO, Texas, September 27.—United States authorities yesterday stopped the shipment of 500,000 rounds of ammunition and many guns consigned to Carranzistas.

The opinion is expressed that this may be the first move of general embargo. In view of the many border raids of the Mexicans and the shaming of the United States troops and the bandits, it is said that Washington has decided to prevent any more arms going to the revolutionists.

The action is declared to have been taken pending orders from Washington. Observers who believe the move a step in the direction of an embargo are inclined to think, however, that Washington orders had already been received by the officials.

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